

# GOVERNOR'S TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX SIMPLIFICATION TASK FORCE

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# State and Local Standardization Working Group

- Met October 2
- Presentations by:
  - E-Gov Systems
  - Tom Belshe/Lee Grafstrom
- Discussed:
  - Portal
  - Eliminating green pages and options
  - Proposed federal legislation

# RECOMMENDATIONS

- What we agree on
- What we haven't agreed on yet
- Identifying a path to future agreement

The Task Force agrees that standardizing the provisions of the TPT imposed by the State, counties, cities and towns will benefit taxpayers and the government by simplifying compliance and enforcement.

The Task Force agrees that standardizing the administration of the TPT is necessary to reduce compliance costs for taxpayers and place the State in a position to benefit from potential federal legislation authorizing taxation of remote sales.

Our goal for TPT administration and enforcement is to have a filing, payment and audit system that provides taxpayers with:

- Single Licensing Contact
- Single Return
- Single Audit
- Single Tax Base (or minimal local choice variations)

For licensing and filing of tax returns, the solution is to build on the portal that is currently being developed to have all licenses be issued and returns filed through the portal by no later than \_\_\_\_\_.

Legislation relating to the portal should take into account the needs of cities and towns for detailed information that is not currently collected by ADOR and for prompt cash flow.



# Single Tax Base

- Encourage continued efforts by cities and state to standardize
- Set time limit (one year?) for resolution, and identify next step to resolve remaining issues.

# Single Audits

- Set deadline for State and Cities to develop standards and procedures for taxpayers to have a single audit, with cities having ability to supplement State resources if desired
- Formalize requirements in legislation

# Path to Solutions:

- Yes
- Recognize primary goal of simplifying system for taxpayers
- Consider revenue effects of any change on city budgets on timing of changes
- Consider city concerns with reliance on ADOR and State

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Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 6 at 1:30 pm